

A Mexican relative of the iris (*Tigridia pavonia*, No. 58573) presented by Mrs. Zelia Nuttall, of Coyoacan, should appeal to those who care for delicate flowers; although the latter are somewhat short lived, in mass planting the effect of successive flowering is very striking.

Special attention should be directed to *Populus maximowiczii* (No. 58483), a hardy and stately tree from Manchuria, which is proving of great value in the colder and drier areas of the United States where poplars are particularly desirable. The distinctive rugose character of its foliage, which appears more than a week before that of other trees, makes it unique among poplars. Budwood has been presented by A. D. Woeikoff, director of the experiment farm at Echo, Manchuria.

The botanical determinations of introductions have been made and the nomenclature determined by H. C. Skeels, and the descriptive matter has been prepared under the direction of Paul Russell, who has had general supervision of this inventory.

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